



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES BUENOS AIRES 2018

FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DE NATATION

Swimming

A. EVENTS (36)

Men's Events (17)	Women's Events (17)	Mixed Events (2)
Freestyle: 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m	Freestyle: 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m	4x 100m freestyle mixed relays 4x 100m medley mixed relays
Breaststroke: 50m, 100m, 200m	Breaststroke: 50m, 100m, 200m	
Backstroke: 50m, 100m, 200m	Backstroke: 50m, 100m, 200m	
Butterfly: 50m, 100m, 200m	Butterfly: 50m, 100m, 200m	
Medley: 200m individual medley	Medley: 200m individual medley	
Relays: 4 x 100m medley 4 x 100m freestyle relays	Relays: 4 x 100m medley 4 x 100m freestyle relays	

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Swimming:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Universality Places	Total
Men	140	4	56	200
Women	140	4	56	200
Total	280	8	112	400

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

	Quota per NOC
Men	4
Women	4
Total	8



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3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

The quota place is allocated to the athlete by name.

C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to, Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors). Only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Youth Olympic Games.

Age

To be eligible to participate in the Youth Olympic Games, athletes must have been born between 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2003.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

Qualifying times can be achieved at national championships, international events, regional events or continental championships. All qualifying events must take place in 50m pools and be sanctioned by FINA. National Federations/Organisers must send an Application Form to the FINA Office not later than 1 April 2017. This form can be found by clicking on the following link: www.fina.org

Referees and starters for these qualifying events must be on current FINA lists.

If the IF quota of 140 men and 140 women is exceeded at the qualifying events, the FINA Points Table (www.fina.org/content/fina-points) will be used to obtain the required number of swimmers. Only the best performance per swimmer will count.

QUALIFICATION PLACES

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
280 athletes 140 women 140 men	<p>Top 16 by FINA points total at the 17th FINA World Championships in Budapest (HUN)</p> <p>NOCs that rank Top 16 by FINA points total at the 17th FINA World Championships in Budapest (HUN) will qualify eight (8) athletes (four (4) men and four (4) women) with the condition that the athletes meet the FINA qualifying standard times as outlined in Section E.</p> <p>In the event that not all continents are represented in the top 16, the highest ranked NOC from an unrepresented continent will be allowed to enter up to eight (8) athletes (four (4) men and four (4) women) with the condition that the athletes meet the FINA qualifying standard times as outlined in Section E.</p> <p>FINA Qualification Standard Time</p> <p>NOCs not qualified from FINA World Championships but ranked by FINA points total at the 17th FINA World Championships in Budapest (HUN) will qualify four (4)</p>



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	<p>athletes (two (2) men and two (2) women) with the condition that the athletes meet the FINA qualifying standard times as outlined in Section E.</p> <p>Achieving the qualifying standard time does not automatically give the right to participate in the Youth Olympic Games. FINA will confirm by 25 June 2018 the participating swimmers, up to the total number of 140 men and 140 women, in accordance with the FINA Qualifying Standard Times and FINA Points Table.</p> <p>Team events</p> <p><u>4x100m Freestyle, 4x100m Medley – Men & Women</u> The top 16 finishers in the men and women 4x100m Freestyle and 4x100m Medley events at the 17th FINA World Championships in Budapest (HUN) are eligible to participate in the respective events.</p> <p><u>4x100m Freestyle, 4x100m Medley – Mixed Teams (2 Men and 2 Women)</u> There are no restrictions on the number of mixed relays. However, teams must enter swimmers participating in individual events from the same NOC.</p> <p>Only NOCs that are represented by at least two (2) men and two (2) women can participate in the Mixed 4x100m freestyle relay and the Mixed 4x100m medley relay.</p>
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HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country will automatically qualify eight (8) athletes (four (4) men and four (4) women), regardless of qualification standards.

If these athletes have not achieved qualifying standards they will be allowed two (2) starts each (in individual events).

UNIVERSALITY PLACES

112 (56 male and 56 female) Universality Places will be made available to eligible NOCs at the YOG subject to the athletes reaching a minimum level of performance defined by FINA.

The International Olympic Committee will invite all eligible NOCs to submit their requests for Universality Places by 15 January 2017. The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of invitation places to the relevant NOCs, in collaboration with FINA, as of 13 March 2017. The NOCs will have until 31 March 2017 to confirm the use of their places to the Tripartite Commission.

In the event of more applications than the available 112 Universality Places, and if the technical level allows it, the FINA Points Table will be used to make the selection.

Athletes allocated Universality Places will be allowed two (2) starts each (in individual events).



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E. QUALIFICATION STANDARDS

All athletes that are eligible for a quota place have to achieve the following entry times during the YOG qualifying period.

Men's Standards			Women's Standards	
A – 2 Entries	B – 1 Entry		A – 2 Entries	B – 1 Entry
0.23,56	0.24,38	50m Freestyle	0.26,46	0.27,39
0.51,40	0.53,20	100m Freestyle	0.57,30	0.59,31
1.52,42	1.56,35	200m Freestyle	2.03,35	2.07,67
3.56,89	4.05,16	400m Freestyle	4.18,93	4.27,67
8.16,91	8.34,30	800m Freestyle	9.00,16	9.19,07
0.26,73	0.27,67	50m Backstroke	0.29,84	0.30,88
0.56,96	0.58,95	100m Backstroke	1.03,43	1.05,65
2.05,50	2.09,89	200m Backstroke	2.17,83	2.22,65
0.29,03	0.30,05	50m Breaststroke	0.32,69	0.33,83
1.03,70	1.05,93	100m Breaststroke	1.11,98	1.14,50
2.18,10	2.22,93	200m Breaststroke	2.35,43	2.40,87
0.25,07	0.25,95	50m Butterfly	0.28,09	0.29,07
0.55,59	0.57,54	100m Butterfly	1.02,04	1.04,21
2.05,73	2.10,13	200m Butterfly	2.16,34	2.21,11
2.07,68	2.12,15	200m Ind. Medley	2.20,41	2.25,32

F. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION PLACES

By 24 July 2018, FINA will confirm to NOCs the qualification places from the 17th FINA World Championships in Budapest (HUN).

NOCs must confirm the use of the qualification places and submit the entry form for their eligible athletes in accordance with the Qualification Standard Times to FINA by 5 August 2018.

FINA will verify the eligibility of these athletes in liaison with BAYOGOC and provide confirmation to the NOCs by 12 August 2018.

CONFIRMATION OF HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country must confirm the use of its Host Country Places and submit the entry form for their eligible athletes to FINA by 5 August 2018.

FINA will verify the eligibility of these athletes in liaison with BAYOGOC and provide confirmation to the host country by 12 August 2018.



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G. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

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If a quota place allocated is not confirmed by the NOC by the confirmation of quota place deadline or is declined by the NOC, the quota place will be reallocated to the next best ranked athletes in accordance with the qualifying standard times on the condition that the maximum quota of athletes per NOC is respected.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Any unused Host Country Places will be reallocated to the next best-ranked athletes in accordance with the qualifying standard times per event.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED UNIVERSALITY PLACES

Should an NOC that has been allocated one (1) or several Universality Place(s) qualify one (1) or several athlete(s), the(se) Universality Place(s) will go back to FINA to be reallocated to NOCs that do not have swimmers who meet the qualification standard time.

Any unused Universality Places, including those returned after the final allocation by the YOG Tripartite Commission, will be reallocated by FINA to NOCs that do not have swimmers who meet the qualification standard time.

H. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
Universality Places	31 March 2017	Validation of final allocation of Universality Places by the YOG Tripartite Commission
Qualification	1 April 2017 - 31 July 2018	YOG 2018 qualification period and time to reach entry standards.
	14 – 30 July 2017	17th FINA World Championships, Budapest (HUN)
	23 – 28 August 2017	6 th FINA World Junior Championships 2017, Indianapolis (USA)
Accreditation Deadline	<date>*	Buenos Aires 2018 Accreditation Deadline (All potential athletes must be registered in the system)
Inform and Confirm	24 July 2018	FINA to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places
	5 August 2018	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to FINA
	5 August 2018	Host Country to confirm the participation of athletes
	12 August 2018	FINA to confirm to BAYOGOC all qualified NOCs
Reallocation	From 12 August	FINA to reallocate all unused quota places and NOCs to confirm.
	30 August 2018	End of reallocation period
Sport Entries Deadline	31 August 2018	Entries deadline by name for all sports
Finalisation of DRP Deadline	<date>*	Finalisation of DRP Deadline
YOG	6 – 18 October 2018	3 rd Summer Youth Olympic Games – Buenos Aires 2018

*To be defined